Electricity for Cochin.

169. *MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Devicolam*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have made any arrangements with the Cochin Government for supplying to the latter, electricity from the Pallivasal Hydro-Electric Scheme; and

(*b*) if so:—

(i) the quantity to be so supplied annually; and

(ii) the date from which the supply is to be made?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON (*Electrical Engineer to Government*): (*a*) Negotiations are proceeding.

(*b*) (i) A maximum demand of 3500 K. W.

(ii) From the middle of 1117 M. E. for the requirements of the Chowwara Station and Ernakulam area. From the middle of 1118 M. E., for the requirements of the Trichur area.

MR. KOTTALIL P. ABRAHAM: With reference to answer to part (a) in view of the annouucement made by the Chair yesterday, I wish to know whether the negotiations are still proceeding?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: Yes, Sir,

PRESIDENT: Negotiations with regard to the details are going on.

Supply of Electricity to the Cochin Government.

170. *MR. G. VELU PILLAI (*Karunagapalli* cum *Kartikapalli*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether they have entered into any agreement to supply electricity from Pallivasal to the Cochin Government; and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, the terms of that agreement?

MR. K. P. PADMANABHA MENON: (*a*) The agreement is at present the subject of reference between the two Governments.

(*b*) Does not arise in view of part (a).

Statement by the Pro-Vice Chancellor on the occasion of the At Home given by the Travancore University.

171. *MR. VARKALA K. MADHAVAN (*Chirayinkil* cum *Nedumangad*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the Pro-Vice Chancellor Mr. C. V. Chandrasekharan made a statement on the occasion of the At Home given by the Travancore University to the members of the University Union that "the Travancore Assembly is deplorably lacking in life during question hour;" and

(*b*) if the answer to part (*a*) is in the affirmative, whether they have taken any steps against the Pro-Vice Chancellor for having made a statement that is derogatory to the dignity of the Assembly?

RAJYASEVAPRAVINA M. K. NILAKANTA AIYAR (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) The Pro-Vice-Chancellor appears to have stated that there was a lack of liveliness in the Assembly during question hour.

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